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Submitted herewith is an English translation of the International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) issued by The International Bureau of WIPO on March 9, 2006. It is respectfully requested that the International Preliminary Examination Report be considered and made of record in the above-identified application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted before the issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, therefore, no fee is required.

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